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# Indoor positioning: towards an infinite number of technologies?

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#### Two categories of indoor positioning technologies









#### Indoor infrastructure equipment

Radio-propagation (WiFi, UWB, BLE, RFID)

Magnetic prints

Ultrasound, sound waves

Vision, camera

Light

Thermal sensors

Smart floors





#### Self-contained technique

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Vision (VO, AR) Inertial sensors

Magnetic field GNSS

Smart textiles

NB IOT - 5G







### Sensor fusion is the key!

Despite decades of research, no universal solution has been adopted indoors

Seamless, ubiquitous and accurate positioning means sensor fusion

Difficulties to integrate all technologies

How to choose?







# A question of criteria?









# Main sensor fusion strategies

Linear Quadratic Estimation

- Kalman Filters, ...
- Minimization of the quadratic error
- Suitable for real time processing approach
- Mature and easy to implement
- Not suitable for integrating spatial constraints

Sequential Monte Carlo

• Particle Filter, ...

- Non-linear state-space modelling by particles clouds corresponding to distribution
- Easy integration of spatial and movement constraints
- Significant computation costs

#### Learning Methods

- Neural network, Decision tree, Clustering, Dimension reduction, LSTM, ...
- Native approaches to classify / recognize context
- Require large amounts of data
- How to control data quality? Supervised/Unsupervised?







# Evaluation of indoor positioning systems



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#### Atlantis shopping mall - Real life space

- 4 Tracks / 34 Teams
  - 1) Camera based Positioning (on-site)
  - 2) Non Camera based Positioning (on-site)
  - 3) Smartphone based Positioning (off-site)
  - 4) Foot-Mounted IMU based Positioning (off-site)









# Mobile Mapping of the Mall



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9'000 m<sup>2</sup> - 180 reference points – 10 cm accurate

Rooftop and outdoor DGNSS survey Two 3D scanners

 The bMS3D backpack with panoramic camera

















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Tack Challenges non camera positioning based N rack TEAM. GEOL

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Results

10 teams 840 m indoor and outdoor with stairs, travellators and parking 2 breaks of 15sec and 3 floors

Inertial sensors, Barometers, Indoor Map

Highly accurate sensor calibration (incl. Temperature), PDR, Particle Filter for floor matching, Deep Neural Network learning for step length estimation

Top 3 - 75% CDF - 15m penalty on floor error SÓNY: 5.5 m KYUSHU: 5.7 m ETRI: 16.8 m



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15 teams 1 km - indoor only – 1 loop -1 lift and 1 travellator 2 breaks of 15sec, 3 floors



Team Five-WHU®

INS, Barometer, Magnetometer, WiFi, GNSS, Barometer, BT

Strapdown Mechanization, PDR, UKF, Neural Network, Map Matching, Fingerprinting (WiFi, Mag)

Top 3 - 75% CDF - 15m penalty on floor error Five-WHU: 1.1 m EGEC: 1.5 m <u>TENCENT:</u> 2.5m

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KIT: 3.9 m

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4 teams 1 km indoor outdoor with stairs, travellator and parking 2 breaks of 15sec and 3 floors



IMU Calibration, Strapdown inertial

Top 3 - 75% CDF - 15m penalty on floor error WHU: 1.3 m

navigation, Complementary Filter, Stichastic

Cloning KF, Machine learning based on mobility pattern, Generalized Likelihood Ratio Test



GNSS

The initial alignment procedure

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The calibration line



The trajectory of human foot

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#### To summarize

- Reasons for diversity
  - The use cases features drive the development of novel technologies
  - Challenges of indoor positioning are addressed by numerous scientific domains (navigation, computer science, robotic, data mining, biomechanics, ...)
  - The impact of inter and intra individual differences on positioning performance is often underestimated
- A question of sensors or a question of human needs?
- Most probably no limit to the development of novel and hybridized solutions



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